

## ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A coin identifying device is provided where the number of coins stored can be changed and a coin can be returned without using a return button, and thus it is simple and inexpensive to make.

A coin slot 35 is formed in an upper part, a coin outlet 36 is formed in a lower part, and a rotating body 90 operated by a handle 250 is formed inside a body 2 of the coin identifying device. A coin containing section 135 which can store a plurality of coins in a stack which are inserted from the coin slot 35 is formed in the rotating body 90. A switching member 150 which changes the number of coins stored in the coin containing section 135 is rotatably provided in the rotating body 90. The coin containing section 135 comprises a first coin containing section 140 formed in the rotating body 90 and a second coin containing section 154 formed in the switching member 150. If the switching member 150 is rotated in one direction, the second coin containing section 154 overlaps with the first coin containing section 140 so that the coin containing section 135 comprises the second coin containing section 154 and the first coin containing section 140. If it is rotated in the other direction, the second coin containing section 154 separates from the first coin containing section 140 so that the coin containing section 135 only comprises the first coin containing section 140. A coin passage 143 which is connected with the coin containing section 135 and in which the coin C falls into the coin outlet 36 is formed in the rotating body 90. A partition member 175 which partitions the coin containing section 135 and the coin passage 143 is formed in the body 2. The partition member 175 prevents the coin C in the

coin containing section 135 from falling to the coin passage 143 at the time of the rotation in one direction of the rotating body 90. The partition member 175 does not prevent the coin C in the coin containing section 135 from falling into the coin passage 143 during the rotation in the other direction of the rotating body 90, and the coin C is discharged from the coin outlet 36.